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INFORMATIONAL NOTICE

TO: Enrolled Transportation Providers

RE: Changes in Procedure Codes and Origin/Destination Codes

The department is in the process of converting state generated procedure codes to the appropriate Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes. In addition, updates are being made to the origin and destination codes. These changes are being done to comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The code changes are contained in the attached tables.

Procedure Code Changes

Beginning with dates of service January 1, 2004, and after, state generated procedure codes and obsolete procedure codes assigned to services provided by transportation providers will be eliminated. The department is opening several HCPCS codes to use in place of the eliminated procedure codes. **Table A**, attached to this notice, lists the procedure code changes. Claims received with the state generated procedure codes for dates of services January 1, 2004, and after, will be rejected. Claims submitted after December 31, 2003, with the state generated procedure codes for dates of service on, or prior to, December 31, 2003 will be processed by the department.

Origin and Destination Code Changes

In addition to procedure code changes, the department will replace the current origin/destination codes used to bill transportation services. Providers billing on paper claims will use codes listed in **Table B**. If you are a transportation provider that receives prior approval through First Transit, the origin/destination codes in **Table B** will be provided on the prior approval letter.

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Providers billing the department electronically will be required to use HCPCS modifiers. If you receive your prior approvals through First Transit, you must convert the origin/destination codes listed on the prior approval letter to the appropriate HCPCS modifier listed in **Table C**. Both the origin and destination HCPCS modifiers will be shown in one modifier field instead of separate fields as is done now. The first modifier code entered should reflect the origin and the second modifier code entered should reflect the destination. For example, from residence to physician's office the HCPCS modifier would be RP.

Please note, as indicated in **Tables B & C**, origin/destination code L and HCPCS modifiers E, N, S and X apply to emergency trips only.

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to the Bureau of Comprehensive Health Services at 217-782-5565.

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**Illinois Department of Public Aid
Procedure Code Crosswalk for Providers of Transportation Services**

Table A

Provider Type	Service Description	Valid Codes thru 12/31/03	Codes Effective 01/01/04
Ambulance	BLS Mileage (Per Mile)	A0380*	A0425
	ALS Mileage (Per Mile)	A0390*	A0425
	O2/Emergency supplies, life sustaining situation	A0422	A0422
	Non-emergency transport, ALS services	A0426	A0426
	Emergency transport, ALS rendered, Level I	A0427	A0427
	Non-emergency transport, BLS services	A0428	A0428
	Emergency transport, BLS rendered, Level I	A0429	A0429
Ambulance to and from Dialysis	Non-emergency transport one way to dialysis	W7266	Closed**
	Non-emergency transport return trip from dialysis	W7267	Closed**
	Oxygen one way to, or from, dialysis center	W7268	Closed**
	Mileage, one way, freestanding dialysis	W7269	Closed**
Helicopter	Helicopter team only	W8867	A0434
	Helicopter services and transport team	W8868	A0431 and A0434
	Helicopter services only	W8869	A0431
Medicar	Base rate, one way to medical care	A0130	A0130
	Return trip, base rate, one way	W7001	A0130
	Loaded mileage one way	W7002	A0425
	Attendant, salaried, one way	W7003	T2001

* Please note- these codes were closed 9/1/02

** Providers should use the appropriate ambulance service codes as listed in the table above.

Attachment to notice: Changes in Procedure Codes and the Origin/Destination Codes, November 2003

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Provider Type	Service Description	Valid Codes thru 12/31/03	Codes Effective 01/01/04
Medicar (cont)	Stretcher, one way	W7004	T2005
	Attendant and stretcher, one way	W7005	T2001 and T2005
	Attendant, nonsalaried, one way	W8487	T2001
Taxi	Base rate to medical care	A0100	A0100
	Return trip, base rate, one way	W7008	A0100
	Loaded mileage, one way	W7009	A0425
	Attendant, one way	W8485	T2001
Service Car	Base rate, one way to medical care	W7006	A0120
	Return trip, base rate, one way	W7007	A0120
	Loaded mileage, one way	W7014	A0425
	Attendant, one way	W8484	T2001
Private Auto	Total loaded mileage	A0090	A0090
Fixed Wing	Fixed wing, one way	W8850	A0430
	Per mile	A0435	A0435

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Origin and Destination Code Changes for Transportation Services**

UUTable B

Origin/Destination Code	Origin/Destination Description
A	Doctor's Office
D	Medical Clinic
B	Hospital (Inpatient or Outpatient)
K	Residence (Home, LTC, Sheltered Care Facility)
L*	Other

Table C

Origin/Destination Code	Description	HCPCS Modifier	Description
A	Doctor's Office	P	Physician's Office
D	Medical Clinic (Hospital, Renal Dialysis Center, ASTC, RHC)	D	Medical Service (other than P or H)
B	Hospital (Inpatient or Outpatient)	H	Hospital
K	Residence (Home, LTC, Sheltered Care Facility)	R	Residence
K	Residence (Home, LTC, Sheltered Care Facility)	E*	Residential (Custodial not SNF)
K	Residence (Home, LTC, Sheltered Care Facility)	N*	Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)
L	Other	S*	Scene of Accident
L	Other	X*	Destination code intermediate stop at Drs office on the way to hospital

* These codes/modifiers apply to emergency trips only.